

# BENTON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION

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## MINUTES OF THE BENTON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION

April 6, 2012

Commission members present: John Brown, Jr., Robbyn Tumey, and Russell Anzalone

Media: Misty Gittings, Benton County Daily Record

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

Chairman Brown stated that the coordinator's report would be moved to the end of the meeting due to the delay of ballots being delivered from UPS.

### **New Business:**

- A. Order establishing the Official Polling Sites for the Preferential Primary & Non-Partisan Judicial General Election: Chairman Brown made a motion to accept the polling sites for the Preferential Primary & Non-Partisan Judicial General Election to be held May 22, 2012. Motion carried by voice vote.
- B. Order establishing the Official Early Voting Sites for the Preferential Primary & Non-Partisan Judicial General Election: Chairman Brown made a motion to accept Bentonville, Rogers, and the Siloam Springs County Clerk's Offices, Iberia Bank, Riordan Hall, and Prairie Creek as early voting sites for the Preferential Primary & Non-Partisan Judicial General Election. There being no further discussion, the motion carried by voice vote.
- C. Approval of the I votronics screen shots: Chairman Brown stated that the screen shots were how ballots and the voting procedures would appear on the I votronics screen. After going through the screen shots, Chairman Brown made a motion to accept the I votronics screen shots. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Coordinator's Update:** Kim stated that Christine Southard had mentioned using field technicians on election day and dividing the county into five or six sections and eliminating just one person from having to go in different directions. Kim gave the commissioners a map of how she would like to have the county divided. Kim reported that Tena O'Brien, County Clerk, spoke with the City of Bentonville about having

two flashing road signs on election night. Commissioner Anzalone stated that he spoke with County Judge, Robert Clinard about installing a security light in the back of the election commission building.

Kim stated that when the sample ballot is printed in the newspaper, did the commissioner's want her to print the full text for the Bella Vista and City of Siloam Springs ordinances. Chairman Brown responded that she should use what is on the screen shot. Commissioner Tumey agreed, but thought the complete verbiage should be posted on the website. Commissioner Anzalone stated that the full text should be at each polling location. Kim responded that the complete verbiage was posted at each polling location. Kim also stated that she was working on staffing the early voting locations, and should have that completed for the next meeting. Kim reported that poll workers cannot work more than 150 hours per year, while sheriffs are allowed to work 120 hours each year. This limit keeps poll workers under the \$1,200 Internal Revenue cap for issuing W-2 forms.

Chairman Brown stated that the Bentonville School District had plans for a special election to be held on June 26, 2012. At the present time, nothing has been filed. Chairman Brown commented that in August, there could be a race in the City of Siloam Springs, and September is the annual school election. He stated that if there is no millage question or opposed candidates, there will only be early and absentee voting.

**Old Business:**

None

**Public Comment:**

None

**Adjournment:**

Chairman Brown made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Tumey. The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Russell J. Anzalone, Secretary  
Prepared by Sharon Rose  
Benton County Election Commission